

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chair Jeff Essmann, on January 14, 2015 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 455
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Jeff Essmann, Chair (R)
Rep. Bill Harris, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Casey Schreiner, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Bryce Bennett (D)
Rep. Bob Brown (R)
Rep. Moffie Funk (D)
Rep. Frank Garner (R)
Rep. Edward Greef (R)
Rep. Denise Hayman (D)
Rep. Jessica Karjala (D)
Rep. Debra Lamm (R)
Rep. Forrest Mandeville (R)
Rep. Wendy McKamey (R)
Rep. Dale Mortensen (R)
Rep. Jean Price (D)
Rep. Ray L. Shaw (R)
Rep. Kathy Swanson (D)
Rep. Susan Webber (D)
Rep. Art Wittich (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Austin Knudsen (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jennifer Petersen, Committee Secretary
Sheri Scurr, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 101, 1/7/2015

00:00:01 Chair Essmann

HEARING ON HB 101

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:50 Rep. Tom Steenberg (D), HD 99, opened the hearing on HB 101, Generally
revise administrative laws of the MPERA retirement systems.
00:02:45 Chair Essmann

Proponents' Testimony:

00:03:02 Dore Schwinden, Montana Public Employee Retirement Administration (MPERA)
00:03:53 Melanie Symons, Montana Public Employee Retirement Administration (MPERA)
00:04:08 Chair Essmann
00:04:22 Melanie Symons, MPERA

EXHIBIT(sth08a01)

EXHIBIT(sth08a02)

00:38:34 *Rep. B. Bennett leaves*
00:48:30 Chair Essmann

Opponents' Testimony:

00:48:48 Sheryl Wood, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)
00:51:24 *Rep. B. Bennett returns*
00:54:10 Chair Essmann
00:54:18 Mark Murphy, Montana County Attorneys' Association (MCAA), Montana
Association of Chiefs of Police (MACOP) and Montana Police Protective
Association (MPPA)
00:56:47 *Rep. Schreiner leaves*
00:57:48 *Rep. Wittich leaves*
00:59:56 Chair Essmann
01:00:04 Mary Phippen, Montana Association of Clerks of District Court and Montana
Magistrates' Association
01:00:42 Chair Essmann

Informational Testimony:

01:00:55 Gene Walborn, Department of Revenue (DOR)
01:07:28 Chair Essmann

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:07:53 Rep. Garner
01:09:15 Dore Schwinden, MPERA
01:09:24 Rep. Garner
01:09:26 Dore Schwinden, MPERA
01:09:34 Rep. Garner
01:09:38 Dore Schwinden, MPERA
01:09:57 Rep. B. Brown
01:10:38 Rep. Steenberg
01:10:43 Rep. B. Brown
01:11:25 Rep. Steenberg

01:11:40 Rep. B. Brown
01:11:55 Rep. Steenberg
01:12:03 Rep. Hayman
01:12:31 Dore Schwinden, MPERA
01:13:09 Rep. Hayman
01:13:17 Dore Schwinden, MPERA
01:13:35 Melanie Symons, MPERA
01:15:19 Rep. Greef
01:16:30 Melanie Symons, MPERA
01:16:42 Rep. Greef
01:17:19 Melanie Symons, MPERA
01:18:04 Rep. Harris
01:19:02 Melanie Symons, MPERA
01:20:28 Rep. B. Bennett
01:21:23 Melanie Symons, MPERA
01:21:58 Rep. Essmann
01:23:13 Gene Walborn, DOR
01:23:50 Rep. Essmann
01:24:28 Melanie Symons, MPERA
01:25:24 Rep. Essmann
01:25:39 Melanie Symons, MPERA
01:25:47 Rep. Essmann
01:25:50 Melanie Symons, MPERA
01:25:58 Rep. Essmann
01:26:10 Melanie Symons, MPERA
01:26:19 Rep. Essmann
01:26:25 Melanie Symons, MPERA
01:26:33 Rep. Essmann
01:26:51 Melanie Symons, MPERA
01:27:01 Rep. Essmann
01:27:10 Melanie Symons, MPERA
01:27:14 Rep. Essmann
01:27:35 Melanie Symons, MPERA
01:27:53 Rep. Essmann

Closing by Sponsor:

01:28:03 Rep. Steenberg closes hearing on HB 101
01:28:45 Chair Essmann

ADJOURNMENT

01:30:24 Adjournment

Jennifer Petersen, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([sth08aad.pdf](#))